

## Community News



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

# FOREST HEIGHTS NEWS

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LET'S GET  
**SOAKED**



**WATER  
BALLOON  
PARTY**



to kickoff the

**FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE  
ACTIVITIES LEAGUE**

**FREE FOOD**



Saturday, July 10, 2021

From 12:00PM - 3:00PM

Forest Heights Neighborhood Park

5800 Terrell Avenue, Forest Heights, MD 20745

[www.facebook.com/ForestHeightsPD](http://www.facebook.com/ForestHeightsPD)



**ALL AGES**

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# Fiscal Year 2022 Town Budget

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 02 - 21

### AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

The general purpose of the Budget Ordinance is to appropriate sums and amounts for the 2021 -2022 Budget of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland in the following areas of the General Fund.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, that the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the Town of Forest Heights is hereby approved by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland such that the sums and amounts appropriated are hereby adopted for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, to defray expenses and operations costs for the Town of Forest Heights as follows:

#### REVENUES

##### GENERAL FUND REVENUES

Town Real Estate Taxes - Noncommercial	\$ 953,441.00
Town Real Estate Taxes - Commercial	\$ 51,333.00
Town Real Estate Taxes – Rented Residential	\$ 94,691.00
Income Taxes	\$ 240,000.00
Other Taxes	\$ 93,000.00
Trash Fee	\$ 187,935.00
INTERGOVERNMENT	\$ 489,650.00
LICENSES & PERMITS	\$ 15,300.00
TOWN SERVICES	\$ 8,596.00
SPEED CAMERA	\$2,200,000.00
OTHER REVENUES	\$ 98,050.00
OTHER FINANCING	\$ 311,190.19
FUND BALANCE	\$2,377,268.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$7,120,454.19</b>

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#### EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 72,452.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 379,589.00
NON-DEPARTMENTAL	\$ 273,700.00
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$1,337,189.00
PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 461,576.00
SPEED CAMERA	
Direct Speed Camera Cost	\$1,391,447.00
State Revenue	\$ 200,000.00
Allowable Expenses	\$ 15,200.00
STREET IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 556,190.19
TRASH SERVICES EXPENSE	\$ 196,535.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 133,000.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDING EXPENSE	\$1,065,000.00
STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	\$ 42,000.00
TOTAL SPECIAL PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$ 47,200.00
GRANTS – RESTRICTED FUNDING	\$ 29,000.00
FUND BALANCE	\$ 920,376.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$7,120,454.19</b>

# Community News

## TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS PRESENTS

# Concert in the PARK

FREE EVENT

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2021 5:00PM-9:00PM**

**Bell Acres Neighborhood Park (North Huron Drive and Mohican Drive)**

**Forest Heights Farmers Market** Running from July-October

**Every Wednesday**

**11:00 AM—4:00 P.M.**

Abundant Life Ministries

5533 Livingston Road, Forest Heights, MD 20745



## NO FIREWORKS ALLOWED!

As we celebrate Independence Day, please remember to keep safe! **All fireworks, including sparklers are illegal in Prince George's County.** Penalties for violating this law carries up to \$1,000 in fines or 6 months in jail

Trash Pickup will occur on Monday, July 5, 2021.



## Forest Heights Police Department Calls for Service May 2021

911 DISCONNECT	26	SUSPICIOUS AUTO	5
ACCIDENT	2	SUSPICIOUS OCC. AUTO	5
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	3	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	4
BREAK IN REPORT	1	THEFT FROM AUTO	1
CHECK WELFARE	1	THEFT JO	1
CHECK WELFARE COMB.	2	THEFT REPORT	4
CW18	59	THREATS COMPLAINT	1
DISORDERLY	10	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	8
DOMESTIC	2	TRAFFIC HAZARD	1
DOMESTIC COMBINED	1	UNKNOWN TROUBLE	10
FAMILY DISPUTE	3	VANDALISM	1
FIGHT	2	VEHICLE ACCIDENT COMB	2
FOUND	1	<b>Total Calls Handled</b>	<b>256</b>
HIT AND RUN	7		
MISC POLIC INCIDENT	10		
MISSING PERSON	1		
NOISE COMPLAINT	2		
PARTY COMPLAINT	1		
PREMISE CHECK	219		
PROPERTY DAMAGE	2		
RESIDENTIAL ALARM	3		
SUBJECT STOP	3		

**POLICE STATION**  
Open Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**301-839-4040**  
(Emergency) 911 (Non-Emergency)  
(301) 352-1200





## Community News *continued*

### KIDS TO PLAY DAY



Forest Heights celebrated its Kids to Play day event on Saturday, June 19, 2021. We had a great turnout, where despite the heat, lots of kids came out to get out and active. We played games to encourage physical activity, and gave out prizes! We would like to thank Jonathon Kennedy II, who provided snow cones and popcorn. Thanks to Mike's Liquors for their donation of ice and water, to Councilwomen Brownson and Hines for their time, Councilwoman Noble for her donation of school supplies, and the Forest Heights Police and staff who helped make this day possible!



### Welcome Councilwoman Brownson

Theresa Brownson was sworn in as the new councilmember for Ward II on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. She will fill in the seat left vacant from Councilmember Jonathon Kennedy II. Welcome to our new councilwoman!



### COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES NEARBY

**Southern Regional Technology Center**  
7007 Bock Road, Fort Washington

For first-dose appointments, schedule by visiting  
<https://covidvaccinereg.princegeorgescountymd.gov/>

OR Call 311 and press # for assistance. Walk-ins available

**NOTICE:** The Six Flags vaccination site will cease operations on July 17. Limited number of no-appointment vaccinations available.

## TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS

**1st MONDAYS @ 7:30 PM**

**Dial-In: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 86008316885**

### TOWN MEETINGS

**3rd WEDNESDAYS @ 8:00 PM**

**Dial-In: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 563484463**

As a precaution in response to the Coronavirus outbreak, Town Meetings will be open to the public but will be held by teleconference.

For Public Period, each person will be limited to two (2) minutes for public comments and the Mayor and Council Members will not provide feedback to comments or statements provided from the public.

Please send written questions or comments to the Town Clerk at [Shawkins@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:Shawkins@forestheightsmd.gov). Comments/questions will be submitted to the appropriate individual.

### MOVIE NIGHTS

Looking to have a fun movie night with the family? The Town of Forest Heights will be hosting Movie Nights at **7pm** at the Municipal Building on **July 23, September 24, and October 8**. Movie announcements to follow. No parking at the Town Hall. Keep Seating simple and bring your own chair. Dates subject to change.



**ATTENTION: AUTO REPAIR AND PARKING AND TRUCK RESTRICTIONS ENFORCEMENT UNDERWAY**

**Section 18.1 A: Repairs on Motor Vehicles.**

A. It shall be unlawful and shall for any person to perform repairs or maintenance on any motor vehicle or motorcycle in an area zoned for detached single-family, duplex or multifamily dwelling units in the Town, except under these conditions the owner, occupant or tenant may perform minor repairs or maintenance to **their own vehicles and motorcycles that are properly registered at the owner's, occupant's or tenant's residential address. Work shall be performed only in the owner's, occupant's or tenant's driveway, carport, or garage.** Not on the public street. Minor repairs only, changing oil (oil shall be drained into a container), oil filters, tires, spark plugs, batteries, belts and other similar incidental repairs.

**A removal or replacement of transmission, engines, differential, structural body components must be done out of public view.** Any repairs shall occur only between **8:00 a.m. and sunset** unless it can be done in the owner's or tenant's garage. Any person violating the provisions of this Article will be guilty of an infraction and will, upon conviction be fined not more than **\$200 for the first offense**. Repeat offenders will be assessed a fine not to exceed **\$300 for each repeat offense**.

**Section 15.3.2 U 1-3 Parking and Truck Restrictions**

On any private property, should any of the following conditions exist, no motor vehicle or trailer of any type shall remain for more than 10 days:

**(1)** Failing to display valid and current registration plates and sticker on a vehicle or trailer.

**(3)** Keeping an inoperable, dismantled or wrecked vehicle such that, one or more major mechanical components including but not limited to the engine, transmission, drive train, or wheels, does not allow for proper operation of the vehicle upon the streets and highways, unless the vehicle is kept in an enclosed building or no more than one such vehicle is completely covered with a tarpaulin, except that registration plates are kept exposed by or through a portion of the tarpaulin.

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### Town of Forest Heights Residential Waste & Recycling Service Guide



The Town of Forest Heights began issuing a serial numbered cart registered to each resident in November of 2011 for Residential Waste collection. Residents must use their issued cart for trash collection. Simply place your household trash into the supplied blue 96-gallon wheeled cart and place your container on the street with the lid opening facing the street. Your container must be at least three feet from objects (including parked vehicles, fire hydrants, etc.) on either side and at least two feet apart from each other. Your cart must be placed at the curb by 6:30 am on collection day. All garbage must be bagged and placed inside the cart. (If not bagged it will not be collected.) An additional cart is available for \$60 and a delivery charge. Contact Ms. Kathleen Via at 301-839-1030. Back door service is also available to those with special needs. **TRASH PICK-UP IS EVERY MONDAY.**

Forest Heights participates in the Prince Georges County curbside collection Residential Recycling Program. Your fee for recycling service is collected through the Solid Waste Charge that appears on your property tax bill. It's easy, saves energy, reduces the amount of trash in our landfills and is good for the environment. Each household has been provided with a serial numbered Recycle Cart. Additional carts can be obtained by calling Prince George's County Waste Management at 301-952-7630. Your recycling cart must be placed at the curb by 6:30 am on collection day. When placing the cart at the curb, nothing should be in front of or immediately beside the cart. **RECYCLING PICK-UP IS EVERY MONDAY.**

Recycling Facility. Garbage should not be placed in recycling carts. **Pick-ups on Monday.**

Forest Heights provides Bulk Trash Collection which is picked up once a week with a limit of three (3) items per pick up day. **DO NOT USE 96 GALLON TRASH CONTAINER FOR BULK TRASH.** (Forest Heights Town Charter Article 11, Section 11.3, C, 2 "Bulk Trash is considered to be non-metal items and discarded furniture only.") Bulk trash should be placed on the curb for pick-up by 6:30 am. Water heaters and inoperative appliances will no longer be picked-up by the refuse contractor. Residents will be responsible for disposing of said items. Residents are responsible for disposing of automobile motors and parts, fallen trees, cinder blocks, concrete, building materials, and motorcycles (etc.) and the like. **BULK TRASH PICK-UP IS EVERY THURSDAY.**

Forest Heights provides Yard Refuse collection which is defined as bundled brush (not to exceed 4 feet), bagged leaves and grass clippings. **YARD REFUSE PICK-UP IS EVERY MONDAY.**

**Special Town Pick-Up Service** is available if you would like for the Town to pick-up an appliance item you wish to discard. There is a charge of \$35 per item. These items must be placed at curb side for pick-up. Appliances are considered to be all of the following: water heaters, washers, dryers, stoves, refrigerators, freezers and electronic equipment. There is a \$4 charge for pick-up of rimless tires. Pick-up charge for tires with rims is \$6.



**Holiday Schedule: (No Pick-Up) New Years Day, Memorial Day, 4th July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. If service day falls on a holiday your trash and recycling service will be on Tuesday.**

**Bulk Collection and Yard waste will be picked up on the next scheduled day.**

### NOTICE:




All mattresses and box springs being set out for Bulk Trash **MUST** be covered or they will not be picked up. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Now Available

The Town of Forest Heights has installed 2 Level 2 electric vehicle charging stations at the Municipal Building parking lot. They are now open to the public, and available for use 24/7 effective June 1. The stations, which each come with 2 ports, will cost users \$0.18/kwh. These stations were installed and maintained at no cost to the Town in a partnership with Pepco, as a way to promote and offer greater opportunities to use clean energy. Call Public Works at 240-993-9243 if you have any additional questions or concerns. We are doing our part to make Forest Heights a more clean, green, and sustainable community.

# Community Calendars

## July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	2	3
4 Independence Day 	5 Town Hall Closed Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup 	6 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	7 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	8 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	9	10 Water Balloon Party 12PM-3 PM
11	12 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION</b> 7:30 pm DIAL 301-715-8592	13 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	14 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	15 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	16	17
18	19 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	20 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	21 <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm via ZOOM</b> DIAL 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 563 484 463  Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	22 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	23 Forest Heights Movie Night 7PM Municipal Building Featuring Zootopia	24
25	26 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	27 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	28 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	29 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	30	31

## August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION</b> 7:30 pm DIAL 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 860 083 16885 	3 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM National Night Out 5PM-7PM	4 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	5 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	6	7
8	9 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	10 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	11 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	12 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	13	14 Concert at the Park 5PM-9PM
15	16 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Dial 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 845 182 1852	17 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	18 <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm via ZOOM</b> DIAL 301-715-8592  Meeting ID: 563 484 463 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM	19 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	20	21
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### FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT:

**Grass Heights** should be below 8 inches.

**Leash Law.** It is against the law for the owner or custodian of any animal to allow the animal to run at-large. Any dog or cat that is found at-large will be impounded. A Violation Notice will be issued to the owner of an animal found. **Scoop that Poop.** The owner or custodian of any dog or cat must remove their pet's excrement from public or private property.



### Please pick up grass clippings

When cutting your lawn, you must remove all grass clippings. They can be a slipping hazard when on the road. Grass can be used in compost. The fine for leaving out grass clippings is \$100.



### SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC UPDATES

Want to be connected to the latest updates? The Town of Forest Heights is working to keep you informed through multiple modes of media.

Email [kvia@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:kvia@forestheightsmd.gov) to be added to the Electronic Mailing List. You will receive a copy of any updates that are posted to the Forest Heights website. Call 301-839-1030 if you have any questions or concerns.

### Senior Exercise Group

The Forest Heights Senior Exercise Class meets in the Municipal Building at 5508 Arapahoe Drive on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 PM. The exercise class is free to join for Forest Heights Seniors, and a great way to stay connected and stay fit.

### Mayor *Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad*—ext. 1223

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#### Town Council/Administration Ward I

##### Robert Barnes

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##### Theresa Brownson

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##### Paula Noble

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### Linwood Robinson, Town Administrator— ext. 1234

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### Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk—ext. 1233

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### Kathleen Via, Administrative Assistant—ext. 1229

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### Leittia Vaughn, Town Treasurer—ext. 1235

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### Larry Vaughn, Public Works Director—ext. 1231

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#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

(301) 839-4040

### Chief of Police, Col. Anthony Rease—ext. 1224

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### Senora Thompson Scott, Police Clerk—ext. 1225

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### Lisa White, Director of Communications

[FHPD\\_Media@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:FHPD_Media@forestheightsmd.gov)

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

##### Joseph Hawkins—ext.1228

[codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov)

Information Line (240) 493-6998

Non-Emergency (301) 352-1200

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

[www.forestheightsmd.gov](http://www.forestheightsmd.gov)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Phone (301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236

8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.

NOTARY SERVICES-by appointment only

8:30a.m-4:00 p.m.